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JANUARY 30.

The President, Dr. LEIDY, in the chair.

Twenty-eight persons present.

The following papers were presented for publication :—

“*Urnatella gracilis*,” by Joseph Leidy, M. D.

“On the Extinct Peccaries of North America,” by Joseph Leidy, M. D.

“The Terrestrial Mollusca inhabiting the Society Islands,” by Andrew Garrett.

The death of John Wister, a member, was announced.

Hybrid Birds.—CHAS. TOWNSEND referred to the rare occurrence of hybridity among N. Am. *Passeres*, and stated that two species of native warblers had recently been found to be hybrids, between species of the genus *Helminthophaga*. He exhibited a bird taken by Mr. W. L. Baily in Dec., 1882, near Haverford College, Pa., which proved to be a hybrid between the Snowbird and the White-throated Sparrow, birds of different genera, which was more remarkable.

After referring to the marks of hybrid origin borne by some doubtful species, handed down by the earlier ornithologists, he remarked that hybridity would doubtless be found a sufficient explanation for many obscure species that are standing puzzles to the ornithologists of to-day.

Mr. Chas. Morris was elected a member of the Council, to fill the vacancy caused by the election of Dr. Ruschenberger as Curator.

The following were elected members :—

F. A. Genth, Jr., Clarence R. Claghorn, G. Howard Parker, John B. Deaver, M. D., Wm. L. Springs, H. T. Cresson, Jacob L. Wortman and Emily G. Hunt.

FEBRUARY 6.

The President, Dr. LEIDY, in the chair.

Twenty-three persons present.

A paper entitled “A new Extinct Genus of *Sirenia*,” by Edw. D. Cope, was presented for publication.